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## MR. HANNA'S OPINION.

The daily press generally unite in quoting Senator Hanna as saying that the Republicans should elect two Senators from Delaware. If he had expressed this opinion as a hope or wish every Republican could and would have united with him in expressing it. But "it is a condition and not a theory" that confronts us. Sixteen of the Republican Assemblymen are voting for Mr. Addicks and say they will never consent to vote for any other candidate unless he be one of the two senators, while the other thirteen are as positive that Mr. Addicks shall never be senator by Republican votes, although pledging themselves to vote for any other two Republicans of standing and ability. What complicates matters and makes Mr. Addicks an impossible candidate is the fact that his past record is such that if one of the Regular Republicans should vote for him, the charge would be at once made that unlawful and immoral means had been used to influence the vote. None of the Regular Republicans are willing to be held up to the public scorn and indignation, that was meted out to Messrs. Farlow, King and Clark only two years ago. So unless Mr. Hanna can find some way to get Mr. Addicks out of the fight, he and the people of Delaware may look to see the State unrepresented in the senate for two years. When Mr. Addicks was making his fight for recognition at the National Convention, in Philadelphia last June, he was asked by the Committee on Credentials, if, in the result of Republican success, he would stand in the road of the election of two senators. His answer was that he would not. But so far he has failed to get out of the road. Perhaps he may yet see the impossibility of his election and clear the way. When that day comes, it will not take but one ballot to elect the senators. Until it does come, things will probably go on in the same way as they have for the past four weeks or more. And it must not be forgotten that less than three weeks now remain of this session, and the time is short.

## GIVE US MORE FACTORIES

There is now pending in the General Assembly, a bill introduced at the request of the Wilmington Board of Trade whose object it is to re-adjust the so-called industrial tax. It is proposed that instead of a tax of one dollar per year on each \$1000 of purchases that all corporations pay a tax of fifty cents per year on each \$1000 of capital stock, which is the amount of tax to which all corporations chartered under the General Corporation Act are subject. The friends of the measure were given a hearing one day last week and among other statements and arguments was the following:

"William Lawton has made a comparison between Delaware and Rhode Island, showing that the former has 78 people to the square mile and Rhode Island, a manufacturing state, has 300 people to the square mile. The little towns in the latter state are filled with manufacturing establishments. Don't send your people away from your towns, but bring many factories to them. These smaller plants can be operated more economically in the town than in the large city. The younger element will not stay around where they cannot earn something. Remove this tax, open our markets, ask people to come here. I don't think it will jeopardize the revenues of our state, for in a few years we will have three establishments where we now have two."

This argument or comparison should appeal to all towns in Delaware, which, like Middletown, "have in the past relied upon agricultural products for an existence. There is no reason why Middletown should not have more factories. In fact, the town needs them. We have boys and young men growing up and the only avenue open for them is to leave the country and go to the city with all its temptations and trials, because they cannot make a living here. While the official figures of the last census are not available for comparison, still we are positive that there are not as many white citizens in the town to-day as there were ten years ago. The total increase in population was only about 50. This should not be so, and would not be so if we had one or two more factories. We think with Mr. Lawton that this taxing of factories has something to do with the lack of enterprise, and while we are not certain that this measure

will bring the desired result, we do believe that it is a step in the right direction and hope that it will become a law.

## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

View of Interesting Happenings During the Past Week.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11.  
The House concurred in the Senate amendment to the bill regulating the shipping of wild geese and ducks from the State. This bill was introduced by Representative White and will exact license fee of \$500 for the privilege of shipping wild ducks and geese.

Senator Harrington's bill to repeal the act of 1890, relating to elections in religious societies, was passed by the Senate. It is intended to permit churches and other religious organizations to elect their trustees or governing officers by vote of the members or as they see fit, that custom prevailing until two years ago, when the Legislature passed a law requiring the regulations prescribed by the church government board to be followed in elections. In connection with Senator Harrington's repeal Senator Hart would have a bill giving to every male or female church member more than 21 years of age the privilege of voting at election of trustees or other officers.

In the House the four Senate bills to straighten out the election district muddle in Kenton hundred were passed unanimously. They were looked after in the House by Representatives Moore and Hutchinson. The House also passed the House bill providing a penalty of \$50 for each violation of the act requiring unincorporated associations of persons doing business in Delaware to certify with the prothonotaries the names of their members.

After Oil Delivery Wagon.  
Representative Shalleross introduced his bill to tax oil delivery wagons for road purposes. His measure provides for the assessment at a valuation of one thousand dollars all the big oil delivery wagons of foreign corporations in service in the State and a rate of taxation in accordance with the assessment.

After Slot Machines.  
Slot machine gambling seems to be near its end in the State. Senator Allee's bill prohibiting such gambling and fixing the minimum penalty at fifty dollars for each offence was reported favorably in the House.

Senators Attack Levy Court Bill.  
By a strict party vote the Senate passed Senator Allee's bill, as amended, fixing six as a quorum for the Kent county Levy court and making the clerk of that peace a member of the body of that body, with right to vote in case of a tie and yet to serve without compensation as a member.

Senators Slaughtered. Clements and Mr. Nulty attacked it as a partisan, and Senator Allee defended it. Senator Farlow voted with the Republicans and Union Republicans. Senator Groves was absent.

May Reduce License For Oysterman.  
Representative Scotten has introduced an act reducing to \$3, now \$20, the license for oystering in Broadkill River and Sound and Mispillion River, exempting Leipsic River, Simon's Creek and making it unlawful to dredge the tributaries of Delaware Bay with certain tongs or dredges.

Representative Wright has introduced an act for the protection of sheep in Kent county. It taxes male dogs 50 cents and female dogs \$2.

Penalty Not Doomed.  
Action of the House Committee on crimes and punishments is believed to anticipate the fate of Senator Clements' bill to abolish the pillory. The bill was reported favorably to the House and it is probable that the bill will be killed and the pillory will be more firmly established by the Legislature as an institution of punishment.

No Senator Elected.  
The ballot for United States Senator was as follows:

For the full term—Kenney, Democrat, 23; Addicks, Union Republican, 16; Du Pont, Regular Republican, 9; Higgins, Regular Republican, 3; Bird, Regular Republican, 1.  
For the short term—Saulsbury, Democrat, 22; Addicks, Union Republican, 16; Richards, Regular, 9; Hillis, Regular, 3; Higgins, Regular, 1; John G. Gray, Democrat, 1.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12.

A large delegation of Delaware State Grangers came here in the interest of the bills now before the General Assembly in relation to the communication of State taxes to the railroad companies of the State. The Grangers urged that the bills repealing the communication of State taxes be passed, because either the railroad companies or the farmers would have to be taxed to meet the increased demand for State revenue, and while the farmer is taxed more than he is able to pay, the railroad tax is practically nothing, the legislators at session after session having forgiven the tax of the railroad companies.

The delegation suggested that the following taxes be fixed for these companies: The Delaware Railroad Company, \$80,000; Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore, \$80,000; Wilmington & Northern, \$8,000; Delaware, Maryland & Virginia, \$8,200. The Grangers were represented by A. N. Brown, of Wyoming, who made a strong argument in their case.

Wilmington's License Bill Passed.

The Monaghan bill, which provides that the city of Wilmington shall receive one-half of her liquor license revenue—about \$30,000—when presented in the House caused a hard fight among the city and rural members. Wilmington now gives the \$60,000 collected for liquor licenses into the State treasury, which sum goes into the school and other public expense fund. An amendment made to the new bill gives to every incorporated city and town the right to one-half of its liquor revenue from the State Treasurer. This would reduce the State's receipts from \$70,000 to \$20,000, and while benefiting the other towns would be a decided advantage to the city of Wilmington.

Representative Clark vigorously opposed Representative Monaghan and Robertson in their efforts to secure the passage of the bill but without avail, as the bill was passed by 19 to 15 votes.

State Detective Service Established.

The bill abolishing the State detective service passed the Senate by a strict party vote. It was Mr. Knox's bill and the Democratic tried to secure Democratic officials now in that capacity, but a minority report was also voted down. Another bill of Mr. Knox's provided for sanitary barber shops and a barbers' commission.

A bill presented by Senator Brasue provides that all transportation companies of the State shall furnish free transportation to members of the judiciary and all State officials and members of the General Assembly during their incumbency.

The bill specifying that the words "incompatibility of temper" when inserted in the ground for divorce be sufficient reason for granting a divorce, was killed to-day by unfavorable report. It is Mr. Gooden's bill.

McKinley's Inauguration.

The Senate joint resolution appointing a committee of five to arrange for the Legislature attending the inauguration of President McKinley at Washington, passed the House this afternoon.

The House also passed the Senate joint resolution appointing Hiram H. Burton, John D. Townsend, Jr., and Emory B. Riggan as directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank at Georgetown.

Thomas C. Roe, George H. Murray and Charles W. Lord were also appointed directors on the part of the State for the Farmers' Bank at Dover.

Ole Color Bill Passed.

Chandler's bill preventing the sale of oleomargarine or imitation butter except in its original color, resembling lard, passed the House to-day. It repeals all

other "oleo" legislation, including the law requiring all "oleo" packages to be labeled "oleomargarine."

School Superintendents Appointed 97.

Read and referred—House bill appropriating \$100 to the colored teachers' institute.

Governor Hunn sent to the Senate for confirmation the following nominations: Daniel B. Jones, to be superintendent of schools for New Castle county; James E. Carroll, to be superintendent of schools for Kent county; Leon A. Davis, to be superintendent of schools for Sussex county; Cornelius Fear, to be State Librarian. Nominations confirmed in executive session.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13.

Senator Allee will introduce an act increasing the salary of the Levy Court Commissioners of Kent county, now \$200 to \$500.

The joint resolution provided for new revised code was reconsidered and killed. Senator Shalleross introduced an act to amend the charter of Dover (authorizing arrest of disorderly persons without warrant).

Fighting Railroad Rates.

The State Railroad Commission bill was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Abbott and is regarded as one of the most important bills of the session in that it is to protect the people from excessive rates. It creates a commission of three members, appointed by the Governor for four years. The members must not be less than 25 years old and not more than two of them shall be members of the same political party. They shall not be interested in any way in any railroad. The salary is \$1800 a year, with the privilege of naming a clerk at \$900.

Lashes For Wife Beaters.

The Senate bill providing for from 5 to 20 lashes for wife beaters had its final passage in the House.

The two large sales arrived and one was placed in each house.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14.

Predictions were made that a break would occur in the Senatorial contest this week but up to yesterday there was no sign of it. The vote was as follows: Louis Kenney 23, Addicks 16, duPont 7, Higgins 4, Bird 2.

Short term—Saulsbury 22, Addicks 16, Bird 8, Hillis 3, Richards 2, Layton 1. Total necessary for choice, 28.

Cigarette And Library Bills Pass.

Mr. Hope yesterday morning asked leave to have the third reading of the Senate bill which prohibits the use or manufacture of cigarettes in the State, which had been reported unfavorable. After a hard fight the bill was passed and will become a law when signed by the Governor.

The Free Library bill for all towns in State passed the House.

The bill incorporating the Kent Savings Bank was lost in the Senate.

DELAWARE RAILROAD TAX DISCUSSED BY MR. BIGGS.

John Biggs, solicitor for the Philadelphia, Wilmington & Baltimore, the Delaware and Delaware, Maryland & Virginia Railroads, has addressed a letter to the members of the House Committee having in charge the bills recently introduced in the Legislature, making radical increases in the taxes imposed by the State upon these railroad corporations.

The question of taxation in regard of the Railroads, should be gone into carefully and no action taken hastily.

The roads are supposed to bear their share of taxes, but they shouldn't be burdened with them. The only redress the Railroad Companies have is to add that proportion on the travelling public and on freight rates. The P. W. & B., and Delaware roads paid to the State over \$387,000 of which \$307,000 was on account of interstate passengers, during the enforcement of the law imposing a tax of ten cents per capita on all people taken through this State. The roads contested the law and the Court of Errors and Appeals decided that it conflicted with the constitution of the United States. These taxes were never paid back to the railroad companies. Mr. Biggs shows that the P. W. & B. R. R., has the same mileage in Pennsylvania as in this State. The tax paid in that State in 1899 was \$17,241.15 and in Maryland \$41,036.23 against \$40,000 paid in Delaware. He says increased taxes means increased rates to passengers and freight. It now remains for the Legislature to say what shall be done with these railroad bills.—E.R.

PROFITABLE DAIRY BUSINESS.

An example of unusual profit in the dairy business says the Centreville Observer, is given by Mr. W. F. Linen of Smithville, Caroline county. From two cows his profits last year were \$110.57. He sold 588 pounds of butter. Similar instances have been from time to time noted in Caroline county in the last few years, showing that the grade of cattle has been greatly improved. In some sections of the county considerable attention is being paid to dairy farming, and there are many fine herds. Large quantities of butter are sold to the hotels, and the steamers plying the Choptank and Tuckahoe rivers take quantities for the travelling public. Tuckahoe river is a region noted for its fine cattle and delicious butter. Among the most successful butter-makers are some of the Pennsylvanians who settled there a number of years ago, many of whom have creameries.

ST. GEORGES NOTES.

The latest in our town is messes.

Miss Elizabeth Riley is visiting friends at Smyrna.

Mr. Emma Davis is confined to her room with La Grippe.

We are glad to report that H. V. Buckson is convalescent.

Samuel Haman and wife spent Friday with their son, William S. Haman, of Bear Station.

Miss Lulu A. Hendrickson, of Delaware City spent Sunday with her uncle H. V. Buckson and family.

Harry Swain and family entertained John Shunder, wife and daughter Miss Cathryn, of Delaware City, on Friday.

Miss Mattie Swain, of Wilmington, spent part of this week with her sister, Mrs. William Haman, of Bear Station.

We are sorry to report the illness of our Superintendent J. W. Carrow, who has not been able to take his place in the M. E. Church for a long.

George Swain, wife and two children, Malcolm and Maude, spent Sunday with Mrs. William Haman and family, of Bear Station, on Sunday.

At the last meeting of the trustees of the Maryland Penitentiary Warden Weyler was directed to give a 60 day's trial to a device of the American Smoke Prevention Company. It is claimed that it will prevent smoke issuing from the stack and save from 16 to 25 per cent. in the cost of fuel. It will be attached to three of the six boilers used in the institution. The method followed is the spraying of the coal when it is put in the furnaces. It is claimed that this cokes the coal in three minutes, thereby preventing smoke. Mr. Weyler is of the opinion that it will not be long before the city will take action compelling the use of smoke consuming or smoke preventing devices on all large plants.

## DELAWARE CITY

Major Hubbel returned on Sunday.

Miss Ida Creed is very ill with the gripp.

Mrs. Frank Jester spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mrs. John Swan, Jr., was in Wilmington on Monday.

H. Stillman has gone to Thurlow, Pa., as assistant operator.

Howard Dunlap, of Wilmington, was in town on Sunday.

Miss Jennie Vail returned from Philadelphia on Sunday.

Miss Merrill, of Avondale, Pa., is visiting Mrs. E. Bradway.

Mr. F. A. Pennington was in Port Penn on Wednesday.

Rev. Mr. Van Kirk preached in the M. E. Church last Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Lofland returned on Friday from Philadelphia.

Miss Blanche Armstrong spent the week with her parents.

Warren Simkins is the guest of his sister, Mrs. Frank Jester, near town.

Harry Warren is visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Naylor, at Massy's.

Miss Annie Cheairs is at home after a protracted absence of several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Craig have gone to Durham, N. H., for the rest of the winter.

Mrs. George C. Bennett, of Quarryville, Pa., will spend Sunday with her mother.

Mrs. Jacques de L. Lafitte has gone to Philadelphia accompanied by her two little daughters.

Misses Nora and Alice Ford attended divine service at Calvary Church in Wilmington on Sunday.

John Vandervliet, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McIntire.

Mrs. J. Edwin Amos' father died at her home last week and was buried on Monday in Baltimore.

Mr. Jones, of Townsend, received the appointment as Superintendent of the public schools, of New Castle county.

The ladies of Christ Church will hold a Pancake Social in the parish house Shrove Tuesday evening, February 19th.

Mrs. W. A. Price and Miss Bessie went to Wilmington Wednesday to see Mrs. Paynter who is on the way to recovery at the present time.

Evangelist Galoway who conducted several meetings in the M. E. Church last week is in the city holding meetings every evening in the same church.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton and Dr. Ogilvie will attend the celebration, of Rev. W. L. T. Jeffries on Tuesday of next week. Dr. Jeffries, has assumed the duties of pastor of Calvary Church in Wilmington.

Mrs. John Craig will attend the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Hughes which is to be celebrated at their home in Pennsylvania, N. J., on Wednesday the 20th. One daughter, one grand-daughter, Mrs. Craig, and four grand-children are all that is left of a large family.

A game of basket ball was the order of the evening at the M. E. Church. Mrs. T. Bayard Heisel on Monday evening. One or two of the participants in the game were hurt, Miss Berice Kane was somewhat injured by the ball striking her on the nose causing it to bleed.

Robert Arthurs, of Dover, employed on the buildings at Fort Dupont, fell about 8 feet on Tuesday afternoon striking his back and elbow and spraining the thumb of right hand. Was fitting in a joint and had a board across part of the scaffolding. His weight broke the board which caused him to fall. It is said if he had gone farther one way he would have fallen 50 feet into the cellar. When found he was unconscious and was raised by a block and fall. He says he dropped his hatchet and it yet has not found it. His injuries are not serious.

As the usual Calathumpian serenade was not in evidence some of the young ladies decided they would serenade Mr. Hines themselves. They obtained bells, a mouth organ, dish-pan, and a tin wash basin then proceeded to the back door of the groom's domicile and lustily serened the night hideous to the evident consternation and bewilderment of the happy man who appeared at the open door with light in hand to investigate. The participants in the impromptu concert were already convulsed with laughter and the procession of the groom's face did not tend to mend matters. We were unable to ascertain whether or not he produced the customary treat.

MT. PLEASANT NOTES.

Mr. Derickson, the drover, shipped fifty steers to Philadelphia on Monday.

E. O. Haas, of Chester, is the guest of his brother, L. M. Haas, at Prospect Farm.

Mr. Joseph Shriver has sold his fine pacing horse to Mr. Theo. Kumpke, of Middletown.

Mr. Howard Crossland who has been critically ill at his home near Mt. Pleasant, is slowly recovering.

Miss May Morgan, of Maryland, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Richard Cochran, of near Middletown.

Master Sebastian Haas, Jr., of Chester, Pa., is spending a few days with his uncle, L. M. Haas, of Mt. Pleasant.

Mt. Pleasant school has been closed several days. The teacher, Miss Annie O. Lynch being very sick with La Grippe.

Loleita, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buckson who has been very sick with pneumonia is at this writing much better.

Louis Hall, mail carrier from Middletown to Mt. Pleasant, has resigned in favor of James Hayes who started in his new duties on Monday.

Miss Dorothy Bramble has returned to her home near Middletown after a pleasant visit of two weeks with Mrs. Robert Bryans, of near Mt. Pleasant.

Elias Shalleross accompanied by Miss May Morgan and Miss Patton Cochran left home on Saturday evening for a sleigh ride. Before they had proceeded three miles the sleigh turned over, throwing Mr. Shalleross and the ladies out. This frightened the colt and he ran away. Mr. Shalleross started in pursuit and reached the farm of L. M. Haas. Leaving the sleigh and taking Mr. Haas' team drove about thirty miles without finding the colt. He was found however about two o'clock on Sunday afternoon. He ran up to Mr. Hotten's who lives on the Clayton farm and was sent to Mr. Conner's farm near Mt. Pleasant where Mr. Shalleross found him in good condition after his long run. The colt is a very valuable animal worth about \$200. The sleigh (which was a new one) had a shaft broke. Miss Morgan skinned her chin and nose and sprained her thumb and for a few moments was unconscious. Miss Cochran received no injuries at all.

Sales to Take Place.

MONDAY February 25.—Sale of stock and farming implements, etc., of Mr. George W. Shockley, on the Samuel B. Ginn Farm, near Prospect Farm, W. Harman Reynolds, auctioneer.

During January 1600 bushels and 1000 sacks of oysters were shipped from Chincoteague. This is the largest month's business in the history of the case.

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FOR THE BENEFIT OF MIDDLETOWN COUNCIL, NO. 2.

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Opera House, Middletown, Del.,

WEDNESDAY EVE., FEB. 20th, 1901.

PROGRAM:

Patriotic Drill, by nine young ladies in military uniform.—The "Volunteers"—"Presentation of Colors"—"We accept it as a sacred trust, and will bring it back to you unsullied by any act of ours, or die in its defence."—"The Star Spangled Banner."—"Off to War."—"The Bivouac."—"Firing on the Picket line."—"The Battle—Saving the Colors."—"Victory."—"The Hospital—Red Cross Nurses."—"That beautiful song of the Spanish-American War, entitled "Tell her I'm a Soldier, and not afraid to die," will be sung by Miss Estella G. Strydom.—The Home Guards prepare for the reception of the Volunteers.—The return of the Volunteers, "We have brought back the Flag to its fair owners."

Oysters, Coffee etc. will be served after the entertainment at moderate prices.

Admission = 25 Cents.

Doors Open at 7 P. M. Curtain Rises at 8 P. M.

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But you should not abuse a friend, therefore use whiskey wisely. If you do not abuse it, it will ever be your faithful servant. If you abuse it, it will make you its slave. No man becomes drunk and save after years of determined effort in that direction.

Take our advice; use whiskey wisely. Don't buy cheap whiskey, but buy the best. Do you ask who sells the best? The question shows that you are not posted. We invite you to take a drink of ours and then ask yourself the question.

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Trains Leave Middletown as follows:  
North Bound—3:30, 7:30, 9:30 and 10:30 a. m.; 4:15 and 6:02 p. m.  
South Bound—1:54, 3:11 and 11:50 a. m.; 3:54 and 5:13 p. m.

### Mails Close as follows.

Going North—7:30 a. m., 10:51 a. m., 3:55 and 5:02 p. m.  
Going South—8:30 a. m., 5:10 p. m.  
For Odessa—8:30 a. m., 5:30 p. m.  
For Warwick, Cecilton, Eastville and Sassafras—9:15 a. m.

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### Local News.

Next Wednesday is the first day of Lent—Ash Wednesday.

WANTED—Correspondent in all of our sister towns for THE TRANSCRIPT.

300,000 Early Cabbage Plants for sale. E. J. STEEL, Florist, Middletown, Del.

DR. W. E. BARNARD, Surgeon Dentist, office Southeast corner of Main and Scott streets.

TO FARMERS—Cash paid for eggs at Armstrong's. We want all the eggs we can get.

Attention is called to the new ad of Mr. A. G. Cox in another column of this issue.

The attention of our readers is called to the new ad of Wright & Davidson in this issue.

FOR SALE—One building lot on Cochran street. For further particulars apply to W. R. REYNOLDS.

FOR RENT—The dwelling on Lake street, now occupied by William Dixon. Apply to E. S. JONES.

FOR RENT—The dwelling now occupied by Mrs. M. J. Whitcomb, on East Main street. Apply to Mrs. H. V. PARKS.

Advance Steam Laundry, office opposite W. S. Letherbury's. Work guaranteed. Goods delivered. C. R. CLAYTON.

FARM WAGONS FOR SALE—I have on hand several farm wagons and light wagons, of my own make all at reasonable prices. G. W. PETERSON.

Most of our citizens who have ice houses have been busy the past week harvesting ice for next summer's use. The ice is from 6 to 7 inches thick and was cut from nearby ponds.

If you are looking for good cheap groceries go to the cut grocery store. The best of everything in my line at very low prices. Also a full line of Millinery. Miss E. F. INGRAM.

The New Century Club's program for next Tuesday afternoon is: "Liquid Air," Miss Hester Jones; "Food Preservations and Food Adulterations," Mrs. Jesse L. Shepherd; "Metric System," Miss Annie Derrickson.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of Letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending February 16th.

Lydia Anderson, Rodah Fisher, Debiel Hall, Effie Hinson, Annie Rothwell, Susie Price, William Ryan.

If you have and item of news, collar us and let us have it. Do not imagine that we ever slight you intentionally—perhaps we didn't know—we do not know much unless somebody helps us to know it—and then we are busy trying to keep up the little ends.

A large stock on hand of both "AMERICAN" FIELD FENCE, and "ELLWOOD" FIELD, Hog and Poultry FENCE, and will be sold as low as the lowest. Learn our prices before buying elsewhere as we will not be undersold.

MIDDLETOWN HARDWARE HOUSE.

The Young Peoples Society of Christian Endeavor of Forest Presbyterian Church, meets every Tuesday evening at 6:45 o'clock. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody. The topic for to-morrow evening is "Confessing Christ." Matt. 10:31-40.

Bethesda Epworth League meets in the lecture room of the M. E. Church every Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. The topic for to-morrow evening is "Confessing Christ." Matt. 10:32-40. Leader, Charles E. Foulke.

Mr. H. C. DeValinger killed the largest steer ever seen in our town yesterday, the monster weighing more than 2200 lbs. He will have the meat on exhibition in front of his store room the 23d instant, and invites the public to make an inspection of the quality of the meat.

It will pay you if you are going to erect a fence to call on J. F. McWhorter & Son before you buy, they are handling the well known Page and American fences and are making an extra push on fence this year. They have contracted for several car load lots and are selling it very close to catch the trade. They have a car load of the different styles on hand now. They would be pleased to have you examine this fence and get the prices.

The figure 8 is the latest and most popular thing. This does not refer to the skating season, which has now set in, but to the new coiffure effected by the ultra-fashionable girls. They bring the hair down from its soaring pompadoured heights to the back of the head. The hair is combed backward over the ear, almost straight before it is tied and knotted. It is then disposed in coils to form a large figure eight, so arranged as to cover as much as possible of the back of the head. This is quite the latest coiffure.—E.

The large green houses of Mr. Edward J. Steele located at Henderson, Md., were destroyed by five Wednesday evening. The origin of the fire is unknown, and in an interview Thursday Mr. Steele stated that his loss would be at least \$3,000, on which there was no insurance. Mr. Steele has successfully managed the plant at Henderson for the past ten years, and done a large wholesale business as well as to supply his branch at this place with many plants. His has the sympathy of all in his loss.

Lieutenant-Governor Annon fields a new gavel in directing the movements of the State Senate. It was presented to him on Friday by Senator Allee. It is not an ordinary gavel by any means. The wood which composes it was taken from the old elm which for more than a century stood in front of the Statehouse and which was not removed until it had become a menace to public safety. The thought which inspired Senator Allee to surround his gift with such historic associations was a happy one—as happy as presenting to the first Lieutenant-governor of the state a personal and fitting memorial of his public service.

FOR RENT.—The dwelling on East Main street, now occupied by George S. Richards. Also the large stable near the National Hotel, now in the tenure of Middletown Creamery. Possessions given to each 25th March 1901. G. E. HUKILL.

Mrs. Clara Roach, one of the National Organizers of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, will speak in Bethesda Methodist Episcopal Church to-morrow morning. Mrs. C. C. Brown, of Wilmington, President of the Conference Society of the W. H. M. S., will accompany Mrs. Roach and assist in the service. Mrs. Roach has a national reputation and it will be a great privilege for the people of Middletown to have the opportunity of listening to her at this time. The public are cordially invited. In the evening memorial anniversary will be held in honor of Miss Francis Willard. Mrs. Clara Roach will also deliver an address at the evening service.

The Volunteers of '61 promises to be one of the most pleasing and original entertainments that has been given. Nothing like it has ever been presented here. The whole program has been managed specially to interest and amuse. The prominent part taken by the well drilled company of young ladies in uniform. The presentation of Colors, and realistic Battle Scene, are features that will be of peculiar interest. Good music, singing, and the fact that the whole affair was originated and carried forward by and for the benefit of our local Council of the J. O. U. A. M.

Do not forget to support at the close of the entertainment. The low price of admission should permit all to come. Children's tickets will be sold at the door 15 cents. Price's Orchestra will furnish the music. See new ad.

### PERSONALITIES

Mr. J. W. Barnett was a visitor to Red Lion Monday.

Mr. F. L. Gates was a Wilmington visitor on Thursday.

Mr. James Crossland, of Wilmington, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. O. V. Voshell of Port Penn, was a visitor here this week.

Mr. George Kelly, of Newark, spent Tuesday with his parents.

Mrs. Elizabeth Jones is visiting friends and relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. G. E. Hukill is spending two weeks with friends in Atlantic City.

Dr. Robert A. Comery, of Newark, visited his parents here on Sunday.

Mrs. Cora Gallagher, of Dover, was the guest of friends here on Sunday.

Misses Elizabeth Hopkins and Bessie Carter were visitors to Smyrna this week.

Miss Blanche Wright, of Warwick, was the guest of Miss Ada Cochran this week.

Mr. Wallace M. Holden, of Dover, was the guest of his parents on here Sunday.

Miss Edna Wilcetts, of near Magnolia, is spending sometime with Middletown friends.

Mr. O. M. Matthews attended the annual session of the A. O. U. W., at Smyrna this week.

Miss Elizabeth Cochran, of "Peola," is entertaining Miss Morgan, of Rock Hall, Md.

Mrs. Calvin Taylor and son, Reese, of Leipzig, were visitors in town this week.

Miss Blanche Armstrong, of Delaware City, is the guest of Miss Maude Smith, on East Main street.

Miss Emma Brown who has been visiting relatives and friends in Philadelphia has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Warren and daughter, of Wilmington, spent a few days this week with relatives here.

Miss Minnie Gale, of Queen Anne's Station, Md., and Miss Blanche Mitchell, of Hillsboro, Md., are spending the week with friends near town.

Mr. Herman Cochran, paymaster of the Phoenix Bridge Company, who has been in New Mexico is visiting his father, Mr. W. R. Cochran, on East Main street.

DEED FROM EATING PARIS GREEN

The little son of John Farrell, residing near Green Spring, who ate some Paris Green he had found on Wednesday, died on Sunday morning at the residence of Mrs. Long in this town, where he and his mother had been staying after being brought to town. Antidotes were given and Dr. Clifton used his stomach pump on the child. Four hours had elapsed (the Doctor being out when they brought the child in) and unfortunately had given the arsenic time to be absorbed in the blood. Thomas was an unusually bright child, between three and four years old, and his death is a very severe blow to the parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrell had but recently moved to their present home and knew nothing of the poison which had been left in a box by the family which had moved out.—Smyrna Times.

### COASTING ACCIDENT

A serious coasting accident occurred Thursday night on the half-mile-long hill on the Antietam Furnace road in the out-skirts of Sharpsburg, Md., in which eight young men were injured. The sled was descending at 80 miles an hour and struck near the bottom of a stone stone fence, the guide bar of the sled coming loose. Frank Grove, guiding the sled, was hurled 30 feet over the fence and badly injured. Others injured were: Robert Mose, nose broken; H. F. Delaney, ankle broken; Charles Eyrly, hand mangled; William Pryor, R. W. Grove, Lawrence Costello, Percy Kerlin, the latter two ministers sons, seriously injured.

PORT PENN WAVES

Mr. George W. Duncan spent Tuesday in Wilmington.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Voshell spent Tuesday in Middletown.

Mr. John Gam, of Augustine Park, spent Monday in Wilmington.

Quite a number of our folks are suffering with a severe attack of the grip.

Messrs. Charles and Samuel Bendler spent Monday and Tuesday in Smyrna.

Mr. John Gam will remove his family to St. George on the farm he purchased of Dr. Fritts.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kumpel gave a church social last evening for the benefit of the M. E. Church.

Mr. Cleson Yearley who has been employed in Philadelphia for the last six months is home for sometime.

Mrs. Rebecca Wiley, of Bridgeville, and son, Timothy Wiley, of Delaware City, spent Sunday with U. C. Conard.

### TOWNSEND NEWS BUDGET

Mrs. B. W. Hutchison is being entertained by her Wilmington friends.

Miss Annie M. Allen and Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, of Middletown, visited here on Tuesday.

Mr. Harold Whitehouse, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mr. Roy Hutchison for a few days.

Miss Mary Money has been quite sick for the past few days, but is now reported as being much better.

Miss Mary Todd has reached home after a delightful sojourn of several weeks being the guests of relatives and friends, in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Alice Pollitt, of Philadelphia, accompanied by her daughter, little Gladys have been spending several days as guests of relatives and friends here.

Cold weather has made excellent skating on various ponds about our town and each day they are crowded. Many boys and girls carry their skates to school with them so they may start for the skating grounds as soon as school is over.

Mrs. Harvey Taylor has sufficiently recovered as to be able to go out, and to mingle among her many friends once more.

For several days however she has been very sick and much alarm was manifested among her friends.

Townsend's broom factory has been doing a good business and is now said to be loaded with orders.

The proprietor is now endeavoring to get farmers to plant 200 acres in broom corn during the coming season in order to supply the factory with the material desired.

Mrs. Annie Pearce, mother of Mrs. James Lee, died Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, after an illness of three weeks. Deceased had been one of the friends here who will learn with much sorrow of her death. Funeral services will take place to-morrow (Sunday) afternoon.

At the evening service the M. E. Church last Sunday evening an enjoyable service of song was given. The program was excellent and the congregation was a large one. An exceptionally beautiful rendition by the choir was entitled "Surrender All" and it evoked much praise among many interested listeners comprising the congregation.

Mr. James C. Wilson celebrated his 63rd birthday anniversary on Tuesday and he was roundly congratulated upon being able to reach this milestone which is quite advanced along life's journey.

He received several fine presents as well as the esteem of his friends here. In the evening a collation was served and much enjoyed by those present.

Mr. George Pearce, of Massey, Md., and Miss Jennie Harkin, of Greenwood, were married at the M. E. parsonage here on Wednesday evening last.

The Rev. George P. Jones officiating. Quitting illness at the home of Mrs. Lee, it was deemed best to be quietly married and to have it occur at the parsonage at the residence at Massey.

Reverend meetings at Emanuel M. E. Church have been meeting with considerable success. The Rev. George P. Jones the pastor, has been largely successful each evening by the increasing workers of his flock and altogether the efforts have proven very helpful to the many in attendance.

Attracting much interest and the public is invited to attend.

Miss Mary Todd, of this place, observed her birthday anniversary birthday anniversary at her home on Commerce street on Sunday last in a highly pleasing manner to herself and many friends. Quite a number called upon her during the day, and all were of one opinion which was heartily given—wishing her many happy returns of the day. She received quite a number of useful and beautiful gifts in honor of the occasion.

The funeral of Mrs. Susan T. Ford formerly of this vicinity, but late of Elkton, Md., where she had resided for several years, took place from the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hickey near here on Sunday last.

Main were conveyed to the M. E. Church here at 1 o'clock and an impressive sermon was delivered by the Rev. George P. Jones, of this place.

She was a member of a well known family and several of her ancestors were experienced hunters. It is told in connection with this story that Miss Ford during the last hunting season espied a rabbit sitting near her boarding house, and hastily procuring a gun, quickly dispatched the game, in a very creditable manner.

Mr. David Hutchison, of Cleveland, Ohio, arrived in town Friday evening last, and was most royally received by our populace. Mr. Hutchison left this place about fifteen months ago, and located at Cleveland where he had remained for that time. His arrival among old friends and acquaintances was certainly in a sense an ovation to a citizen returning to the scenes of his childhood and many affecting scenes were noticed as he was given the "glad hand" in greeting his many friends here. As a matter of fact not a few were overheard saying "very glad to see you Dave" and this salutation carried with it that hearty handshake which so clearly emphasized the earnestness shown in the greeting of old-time friends when they chance to meet after having just passed through a period of separation.

Mr. Hutchison is looking well and reported his health as being fine. He intends to remove from Cleveland to Wilmington and his hosts of friends are very glad because of his decision to reside in the future much nearer to his relations and Townsend friends. To the writer this decision gives much pleasure and he aptly says "this is as it should be."

WARWICK HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Amos Wilson is visiting in Wilmington.

Mr. E. M. Holden has been very sick with measles.

Mr. Enoch Johnson was a brief visitor in town on Saturday.

Mr. W. H. Lynch, of Philadelphia, is home for a few days.

Miss Ella Staats spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Hannah Staats.

Mr. Amos Wilson is the guest of his brother, Mr. J. P. Wilson near Rising Sun.

Mr. Guy Johnson attended a Progressive Hunt Party in Wilmington on Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Merritt spent Monday at "Hermion," as the guests of Mr. J. P. Wilson and wife.

Mrs. Joseph Dulaney who has been on an extended visit to her mother, Mrs. Rachel Merritt, returned to her home in Baltimore, Md., on Tuesday.

BATTLE OF THE SHINERS

There promises to be a battle between the Italian syndicate and the colored Trust, Company of Shoe Shiners over the Sunday closing movement in Wilmington.

The Italians have decided upon a move closing their shoe shops on Sunday, and have not consulted the colored boot blacks. Professor Frisby, who has cornered the industry from a colored standpoint, is riled, and vowe that he will retaliate by keeping his shop open on Sunday. The Italians threaten to invoke police aid.

### ODESSA HAPPENINGS

Mr. Temple, of Ridgely, was an Odessa visitor last week.

Miss Fannie Williams is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Mary Williams, of Philadelphia.

Mr. George L. Townsend visited his aunt, Mrs. Bratton, of Christians, this week.

Mr. George Worton Davis attended a dance at Elkton Saturday night and spent Sunday in Newark.

The Misses Edith and Bertha Stevens have been among the numerous victims of the grip.

The post-office was quite a popular place with the young people St. Valentine's Day and judging from the happy faces all must have fared unusually well.

Miss Amelia Vandegrift has been confined to her home for some time, during her illness Miss Emma Eccles has been assisting Mr. Vandegrift in the post-office.

Mrs. Nathaniel Satterfield met with a painful accident Tuesday by dropping an iron kettle on her foot thereby injuring it so severely that a doctor had to be summoned.

The Odessa farmers who attended the lecture on the horse given in Comery's hall, Middletown, by Dr. Currier, of Minnesota, felt amply repaid for having ventured out so on disagreeable a day.

The revival meetings at the M. E. Church have been continued through and with quite a degree of interest.

Rev. W. O. Hurst is conducting them alone now. The Evangelist, Mr. Campbell having returned to his home at Catsaqua.

Owners of ice houses have taken advantage of the cold snap by filling them, probably all who intend to have one so the Creamery Co. filled theirs the latter part of last week with ice six inches thick and some others have been filled with the same.

The Young People's meeting Sunday evening was largely attended. Miss Emma Eccles, the leader gave a very interesting talk on the topic: "If Christ Should Come To-morrow." The subject for to-morrow is "Confessing Christ."

### CECILTON SIFTINGS

Mrs. Belle Coppage is quite sick with LaGrippe.

Mrs. Annie Humphreys spent part of Tuesday in Middletown.

Mr. Allie Price is spending awhile with Philadelphia friends.

Mrs. Katharine Woodall has been quite sick at her home near town.

William Smith spent Sunday with his father, Mr. James Smith.

Mr. Charles Stephens and Son Willard were in town on Tuesday.

Miss Rena Price is quite ill with chicken pox and LaGrippe.

Mr. Byron Bonbelle is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Emma Ferguson.

Mr. Thomas Pearce has been confined to the house for a week with the Grippe.

Miss Annie Anderson is able to be out again after being sick with Grippe for a week.

At the shooting match in town on Tuesday Mr. Vic Stradly from Galena did the best shooting. Mr. J. H. Black did the best for Cecilton. L. D. Akin, the best from Warwick. Mr. Ellison from St. Augustine and Mr. George Benson from Philadelphia were also in the contest.

The special match between W. G. Jones and G. G. Morgan was won by Morgan by a score of 5 to 2.

### EARLEVILLE NOTES

Mr. James Davis visited a friend in Smyrna this week.

Miss Lizzie Reed is spending a short time with Philadelphia friends.

Mr. William Matthews and family spent one day last week with his father.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew W. Wilson attended the ball at Galena on February 7th.

Mrs. Harry J. Clark is very ill with pneumonia having taken cold on the LaGrippe.

Mr. Fletcher Rolph who has been seriously ill with pneumonia is very much improved.

Messrs. George and John Benson Jr., attended the Blue Rock Shooting match at Cecilton on Tuesday.

Miss Arrie DuHannell was the guest of the Misses Brickley, at Farmington on Saturday Sunday of last week.

A surprise party was given Miss Manie Pearce by her Cecilton friends on Friday evening February 15th.

Mr. James H. Smith, of Cecilton has been appointed the agent in that community for the Osborne machinery Company.

In Crifield, the first anniversary of a marriage is called "A Mosquito Wedding."

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Timothy Seed \$2.50 Cob..... 40  
Clover Seed 13c Oats..... 30

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.  
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.  
Eggs, per doz..... 22@24  
Country Butter, per lb..... 22@26  
Creamery Butter, per lb..... 28  
Lard, per lb..... 8@10  
Live Chickens, per lb..... 8@10  
Ducks, Dressed, per lb..... 10@12  
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